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FM AMEMBASSY YAOUNDE

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 5539

INFO AMEMBASSY KINSHASA

AMEMBASSY CASABLANCA

AMEMBASSY NDJAMENA

AMEMBASSY PARIS

AMCONSUL DOUALA BY POUCH

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CASABLANCA FOR RCAA WHITMAN

E.O.: 11652: N/A

TAGS: EAIR, CM

SUBJ: POSSIBLE SALE OF AIRCRAFT

REFS: A. DOUALA 11

B. STATE 57389

1. I HAVE DISCUSSED ON VARIOUS OCCASIONS WITH MINISTER OF STATE FOR THE ARMED FORCES SADOU DAOUDOU AND GURC INTEREST IN ACQUIRING C-130 TRANSPORT AIRCRAFT. LOCKHEED REPRESENTATIVE BEAVERS HAS PAID SEVERAL VISITS TO CAMEROON, CALLING ON BOTH CAMAIR AND MINISTRY OFFICIALS AND USUALLY DEPARTS VOICING OPTIMISM OVER POSSIBILITY OF SALE.

2. SEVERAL DAYS AGO MINISTER DAOUDOU TOLD ME THAT A CAMEROONIAN TEAM WOULD BE LEAVING FOR KINSHASA AROUND APRIL 18 IN ORDER TO CHECK OUT WITH THE ZAIRIANS THEIR EXPERIENCES, COSTS AND OTHERWISE, WITH THEIR C-130'S. HE SAID THAT ANOTHER TRANSPORT PLANE,
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A FOKKER, WAS ALSO UNDER CONSIDERATION BUT HE WAS UNABLE (OR

UNWILLING) TO IDENTIFY IT FURTHER. I GATHER THAT IT IS A SMALLER PLANE.

3. ACCORDING TO DAOUDOU THE POSSIBILITY OF SHARING USE OF C-130'S BETWEEN CAMEROON AIRLINES AND MILITARY HAS BEEN GIVEN SOME ATTENTION. CAMAIR APPARENTLY IS FREQUENTLY OBLIGED TO CHARTER FOREIGN AIRCRAFT FOR AIR FREIGHT TRANSPORT. FOREIGN EXCHANGE OUTLAY, DAOUDOU SUGGESTED, MIGHT BETTER BE USED TO PURCHASE AIRCRAFT.

4. SHOULD EMBASSY KINSHASA HAVE ANY DISCREET MEANS OF CHECKING ON VISIT AND FINDINGS OF CAMEROONIAN DELEGATION, WE WOULD WELCOME BEING INFORMED.

5. COMMENT. BEAVERS HAS RECENTLY INFORMED EMBASSY FROM MARIETTA, GEORGIA BASE THAT HE PLANS TO ARRIVE DOUALA APRIL 24 AND BE IN YAOUNDE NEXT DAY FOR TALKS WITH ARMED FORCES OFFICIALS. DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO APPRISE HIM OF FOREGOING.
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